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Serial No.: 09/913,018 Group Art Unit: 2872  
Filed: August 8, 2001 Docket No.: 10873.0779USWO  
Title: REFLECTIVE OPTICAL DEVICE, AND REFLECTIVE SOLID- STATE  
OPTICAL DEVICE, AND IMAGING DEVICE, MULTI- WAVELENGTH  
IMAGING DEVICE, VIDEO CAMERA DEVICE, AND VEHICLE-  
MOUNTED MONITOR UTILIZING THE SAME

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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. At least some of the references were recently cited in Korean Office Action mailed November 11, 2004.

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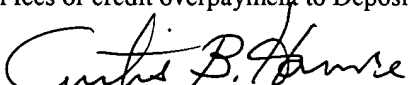
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. Applicant(s) note(s) reference(s) 10-333040 also listed in the office action was/were previously cited to or by the Examiner.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)):

Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the Korean Office Action citing references for co-pending application 10/332,799, filed January 9, 2003 and co-pending application 10/461,559, filed June 13, 2003.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

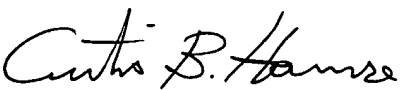
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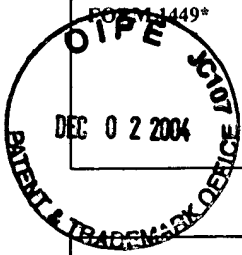
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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		Maejima et al., "Germanium for Infrared Optics", Tokyo Denshi Yakin Co., Ltd. (1990); 17: 41-47

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